

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: BING LIN YANG

FOR: SURFACE MOUNTING SURGE ABSORBER AND SURFACE  
MOUNTING CAP FOR SURGE ABSORBER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Washington, DC 20231

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Before examining the present application, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please replace claim 3 with the following rewritten version:

Amended  
3. (Amended) A surge absorber of claim 1, wherein a plurality of slits are provided at  
said flange section of the surface mounting cap.